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| GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON,      | Capt. P. Goscob   | 17th Nov., Noon.    |
| ANTWERP and BREMEN .....     |                   |                     |
| SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE     | "PRINZ LUDWIG"    | About WEDNESDAY,    |
| and YOKOHAMA .....           | Capt. F. v. Beder | 17th Nov.           |
| MANILA, YAP, NEWGUINEA,      | "PRINZ WALDEMAR"  | FRIDAY,             |
| BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE | Capt. F. Isack    | 3rd Dec., Daylight. |
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Hongkong, 11th November, 1909.

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**Intimations.****VOLUNTEERS UNDER CANVAS.****ENGINEER COMPANY.**

The following programme of work in camp for Engineer Company will be substituted for that published in the detailed instructions for Camp issued on 9th November—

Owing to the portable search-light not being available it has been necessary to alter the programme of work for the Engineer Company as follows:

November 13th.

2.15 p.m.—Parade at Blake Pier for conveyance to Camp.

5.30 p.m.—Instruction in Guard Mounting, relief of Sentries, etc.

November 14th.

8.15 a.m.—Church Parade.

10 a.m. & 2.30 p.m.—Field Telephone work in connection with the writers.

November 15.

7.45 a.m.—Proceed to Lyman for work on Defence lights.

3 p.m.—Field Telephone work.

November 16.

7.45 a.m.—Proceed to Lyman for work on Defence light.

3 p.m.—Field Telephone work.

November 17.

8.15 a.m.—Field Telephone work in connection with howitzer practice.

5.15 p.m.—Blake Pier and 6 p.m. Custom's Jetty proceed to Lyman to run Defence lights.

November 18th.

7.45 a.m.—Proceed to Lyman.

3 p.m.—Field Telephone work with howitzer.

November 19th.

8.15 a.m.—Field Telephone work with howitzer Practice.

5.15 p.m.—Blake Pier and 6 p.m. Custom's Jetty proceed to Lyman to run Defence lights.

November 20th.

8.15 a.m.—Field Telephone work with howitzer Practice.

4 p.m.—Blake Pier and 4.45 p.m. Custom's Jetty proceed to Lyman to run Defence lights.

November 21st.

8.15 a.m.—Church Parade.

10 a.m.—Tactical scheme for whole Corps.

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Hongkong, 11th September, 1909.

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**Intimation.****MAIL STEAMERS DAMAGED.**

ROUGH WEATHER OFF THE AUSTRALIAN COAST.

A message from Melbourne, dated October 4, says:—Bearing unmistakable traces of usage the R. M. S. China of the P. & O. Line, berthed alongside the Port Melbourne railway pier, this morning, upon her arrival from London. Portion of her starboard railing along the promenade deck for a distance of 10 or 12' was almost destroyed, whilst similar damage was done to the railing at the after end of the vessel.

A valuable piano on the promenade deck, where it was used for dancing purposes, was lifted bodily by the sea and almost irreparably injured, whilst the officers' cabins were flooded.

The whole injury was the result of one immense

sea which struck the liner almost broadside-on as she was steaming round from Adelaide to Melbourne early this morning.

Those who happened to be on deck at the moment bent a hasty retreat, whilst Capt. Street almost im-

mediately brought the steamer round with her head to the sea rather than risk a repetition of the sensational incident.

Within the space of a few minutes the China had shaken herself free of the water, which invaded her decks,

and for three hours subsequently she lay hovering out the storm in comparative ease.

Another vessel to suffer in the disturbance

was the French mail liner *Solastis*, which also reached Hobson's Bay, this morning.

She shipped several heavy seas on the run from Adelaide and suffered some injury, though not of a serious nature, to the deck fittings.

The *Solastis*, like the *China*, was home to for some hours.

The *Solastis*, which is on her voyage from Marseilles via the usual stages, was under orders to resume her passage to Sydney late to-night.

**THRILLING RESCUES.****BRAVE COASTGUARDS AT DOVER WRECK.****TERRIBLE WEATHER ROUND THE COASTS.**

Heavy rains from the west and south-west were experienced in the English Channel, on October 7, and shipping in exposed places had some perilous experiences.

An exciting rescue of the crew of a stranded vessel was effected at Dover, a coastguard-man swimming out through a fierce sea and establishing communication between the ship and the shore. The vessel was the brigantine *Ossy*, which grounded between the Shakespeare Cliff and the Admiralty Pier.

The first intimation of the wreck was the firing of distress signals, which caused the people to flock down to the beach just to the seaward side of the South-Eastern Railway station.

The ship was being swept continuously by heavy seas, and the position of the crew seemed dangerous in the extreme.

Fortunately the vessel's plight had been observed by the coastguard lookout at Lydden Spout station, to the west of Shakespeare Cliff, and also by those at the Dover coastguard station.

Chief Officer Connor, of Dover, and Coastguard Bull and Hill were the first on the scene, and prompt efforts were made to establish communication between the stranded ship and the shore. In course of time a line was got aboard the wreck, and two of the crew Richard O'Brien and T. Slattery, succeeded in making their way ashore, the coastguards linking up and forming a living chain through the heavy surf to help the men along the rope. Heartfelt cheers were given as each rescue was made. Something apparently went wrong with the line afterwards, and efforts with the rocket apparatus were unsuccessful in getting fresh communication. There were still on the wreck three men, whose predicament was a most alarming one.

It was at this stage of the rescue work that the pluckiest action of the night was performed.

Coastguard Maurice Miller, a broad-shouldered seaman from the Lydden Spout station, volunteered to swim out through the heavy surf to the stranded ship in order to fix the rope aboard.

Eustachio's cheers were raised by the spectators as he waded into the surf and then struck out for the wreck, over which the rollers were now sweeping more fiercely than ever.

His progress through the wildly flying spray

was watched breathlessly by the large crowd gathered on the shore and when he reached the ship and started to climb hand over hand up a line thrown to him over the side the excited throngs on the beach broke into a roar of cheering.

One after the other hands aboard the dismasted vessel, Seaman Mr. Timmons, Seaman Mr. Vigne, and, lastly, Capt. Kerr, were safely got ashore in the breeches buoy; and then their gallant rescuer was hauled ashore, where there was an immediate rush to congratulate him and shake hands with him.

The rescued men and the majority of the coastguards suffered keenly in the cold night wind, all being drenched to the skin.

The shipwrecked men were taken to the Sailor's Home, where the superintendent, Mr. Treadwell, provided them with dry clothing and hot food.

The *Ossy* belonged to Waterford, and was bound from Cherbourg to London with a cargo of stone.

In an interview the crew stated that they had had a rough and exhausting experience in the Channel gale all day, and the ship's sails were partially blown away. This accounted for the ship being driven ashore. They expressed great gratitude to the coast guardians for their

**MILLIONAIRES' YACHT.****RICH EVADERS TO BE FORCED TO PAY DUTY**

Mr. Leob, the collector of customs at the port of New York, is about to show activity against rich evaders of American duties by commencing a lawsuit against millionaires who have brought in foreign built yachts without paying taxation on them.

Thirty shillings a ton is the charge, and many yachtsmen, though rich, consider it prohibitive. Mr. Joseph Pulitzer has paid over £4,000 on his new yacht, *Liberty*, but among those who have stood out against the tax are Mr. George J. Gould, who owes £1,800; Mr. James Gordon Bennett, who is down for £1,000; Cornelius Vanderbilt, £1,150; Mr. C. K. G. Billings, £1,530, and Mr. Robert Goetz, £1,500.

Unlike most tariff measures, this new tax is retrospective, and the millionaires affected intend to spare no money in fighting against its imposition.

**WIFE'S PLATE TO BE SHOT.****SELF-ACCUSED HUSBAND ACQUITTED OF MURDER.**

A curious case came before the Paris assize Court last month involving a point of ethics on which the stern moralist and the ordinary man of the world would probably take different views. A mechanic named Baudin, 39 years of age, appeared to answer a charge of killing his wife. The woman had suffered for a long time from a very painful illness, and had availed her husband several times to kill her and put her out of her misery. Baudin had always refused, but last January he gave himself up to the police, stating that he had just shot his wife. She had had a violent fit of coughing, due to asthma, and when the husband reached home she said:—How awful to suffer like this before dying; if you only had courage. You are not a man to see me suffer like this. As you love me put an end to me—kill me. Baudin, after some hesitation, took his revolver and discharged it point-blank at the suffering woman, who was killed outright. Then he went to his sister, and asked if he should commit suicide or give himself up to the police, and on her advice he took the latter course. A medical expert who gave evidence said that Baudin, at the time of the murder, was conscious of what he was doing, but was acting under the influence of a will stronger than his own. Baudin was acquitted.

**THE BATHERS.****AMUSING STORY OF THE SUMMER SEASON.**

The following article is printed in the *Pall Mall Gazette*, above the signature of Jessie Pope:

Scene: The ocean, immediately in front of the Brixton bathing machines. Mr. Bright Youngman, in striped costume, swimming vigorously (with one foot on the bottom), and looking out for Gladys Gassington-Smyth, whom, with her stately parents, Colonel and Mrs. Gassington-Smyth, he has tracked to the bathing machines, and then lost sight of. Gladys, with fixen coiffure unspashed, appears on field of vision, and commences swimming vigorously (also with one foot on the bottom).

Mr. B. Y. Oh how d'ye do? I didn't see you. So difficult to recognise people in the water. Isn't it jolly this moron?

Gladys. Yes, quite. Rather a strong current. Mr. B. Y. It's all right if you swim out to sea again, it, and paddle back easily with it.

Gladys.—Yes, that's what I've been doing; had a lovely swim.

Mr. B. Y. (putting his other foot down).—Hello! I'm in my depth here. It's quite shallow.

Gladys (following his example).—So it is! Not that I care to stand much because of the jelly fishes. You're a very strong swimmer, aren't you?

Mr. B. Y. (modestly).—Oh, well, I can move a bit, but I'm not a Channel man, you know!

Gladys. Ah! but that's only knock, when one is at home in the water like you are.

Mr. B. Y. Oh yes—that's all. You're a good swimmer, too, I notice.

Gladys. Oh yes, I adore it. I'm quite in my element (is suddenly submerged by a large wave that breaks over her, and reappears choking and gasping, with distorted visage and wretched coiffure). How—ow—disgusting!

You might have told me it was coming!

Mr. B. Y. (disillusioned). Awfully sorry, but didn't see it coming myself.

Gladys. What are those people looking at? Oh, it's my water wings; they've drifted away—right over there. Do go and get them for me! I'm too tired with my swim.

Mr. B. Y. Where are they? I don't see them.

Gladys. Over there, by the pier head. It will only take a swimmer like you a few minutes to bring them back.

Mr. B. Y. I'm afraid it's no good. I'm shortsighted. I should never find them—and, after all, they're no good to you, as you can swim so well without them.

Gladys (doubtfully). Perhaps not—but I didn't want to lose them.

Mr. B. Y. (changing the subject).—I say, what a queer lot of people one sees in the water. Talk of prehistoric animals! Now, just look at the stout old party bobbing up and down in the shallows—and trying to keep that obvious wig dry. That get up would be a fortune on the music hall stage, wouldn't it?

Gladys. It's mamma.

Mr. B. Y. (strategically changing his position). No, no! I don't mean that lady. I was thinking how particularly well she looked. I mean that fat old codger near her with the lobster face and a fringe of grey bristles coming out of it.

Gladys. That's father.

A merciful wave submerged Mr. Bright Youngman, and under cover of it he made a disorderly retreat to his bathing machine, and an hour later lay cut dead on the sands by the nicely coloured, the elegant Mrs. Gassington-Smyth, and the sun-kissed Gladys.

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**Our Hongkong Telegraph**

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 1909.

**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.**

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held in the Council Chamber this afternoon. Present—His Excellency the Governor, Sir Frederick Lugard, K.C.M.G., His Excellency Major-General R. G. Broadwood, C.B. (Commanding the Forces), Hon. Sir Francis H. May, K.C.M.G. (Colonial Secretary), Hon. Mr. F. A. Hazelton (Attorney-General), Hon. Mr. A. M. Thomson (Colonial Treasurer), Hon. Mr. P. N. H. Jones (Director of Public Works), Hon. Mr. F. J. Badeney (Captain Superintendent of Police), Hon. Mr. A. W. Brown (Registrar General), Hon. Dr. H. Kai, M.B., C.M.G., Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson, Hon. Mr. W. Y. Yuk, C.M.G., Hon. Mr. E. Osborne, Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewitt, Hon. Mr. Murray Stewart, and Mr. G. Clementi (Clerk of Council).

**MEMORIES.**

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

**FINANCIAL MINUTES.**

The Colonial Secretary laid on the table Financial Minute No. 5. It was agreed that it be referred to the Finance Committee.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT.**

The report of the Finance Committee (No. 17) was laid on the table. It was agreed that it be adopted by the Council.

**ANTI-MALARIA CAMPAIGN.**

On the motion of the Colonial Secretary, seconded by the Attorney-General, the Council adopted the following bye-law which repeals and is substituted for that made by the Sanitary Board under sub-section 35 of section 16 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903-1909, on the 13th day of October, 1908, and approved by the Legislative Council on the 3rd day of December, 1908, and published in the Government Gazette of the 4th day of December, 1908, in Government Notification No. 852:—

"When larvae of mosquitoes are found on any premises the Board may, on the advice of the Medical Officer of Health or any Assistant Medical Officer of Health, give notice to the owner or occupier of such premises to remove all accumulations of water from such premises or to take steps to prevent the recurrence of the breeding of mosquitoes in any such accumulations of water and such owner or occupier shall comply with such notice forthwith."

**SLAUGHTER HOUSES.**

The Colonial Secretary moved the adoption of a series of bye-laws which repeals and substitutes as from 1st January, 1910, all bye-laws originally contained in or since added to Schedule B of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903, under the heading "Slaughter-houses and Slaughter of Animals."

The Attorney-General seconded:

Agreed.

**SIR FRANCIS MAY.**

His Excellency the Governor, in eulogistic terms, commented on the fact that the Colonial Secretary had been honoured by His Majesty the King. "I am sure," he said, "that I voice the feelings of every member of this Colony and at large, that no honour in any part of the Empire has been better deserved" (applause).

**PRINCE ITO.**

His Excellency also stated that on the news of the death of Prince Ito, he telegraphed the sympathy of the Colony to Japan and received a reply acknowledging with thanks, the fact.

**SUBSIDIARY COINAGE.**

In moving the following resolution of which he had given notice, viz.:—

"That in the opinion of this Council the issue of a new subsidiary coinage convertible at par would not be successful unless the use of all other subsidiary coins were prohibited in the Colony, and that, in the circumstances, it is undesirable to deal with the matter except as part of a comprehensive scheme of local currency reform."

The Hon. Mr. Murray Stewart said:—In speaking to the resolution of which I gave notice at our last meeting, I shall not detain the Council long. I propose to do little more than indicate my reason for bringing it forward. Manifestly it refers to the scheme for the issue of a new subsidiary coinage proposed by an unofficial member in the debate on the Estimates—a proposal to repudiate after a certain date all the existing subsidiary coinage circulating outside of the Colony; to redeem the amount circulating or held in the Colony on the same date; and to issue a new subsidiary coin, convertible at par to any extent, but only legal tender up to two dollars—these coins to compete for public favour with those issued from the Canton Mint, the circulation of which in the Colony was not to be prohibited. Hitherto I have held with those who consider repudiation unjustifiable, redemption impracticable, and prohibition impolitic. The way the hon. member put the case for his contention that we are not bound to redeem, shook the first of these opinions a little; but by now it has re-settled in its old foundations. Having thought over the matter I consider that the proposal to repudiate, however attractively it may be presented, is, after all, indefensible; and, further, that, in any case, new subsidiary coins would not cure the inconveniences at present complained of, unless the concurrent use of Chinese subsidiary coins were prohibited. In other words, I think that the scheme proposed would not work. It is here that opinion differs. On the one hand, it is contended by the hon. member that the fact of his proposed new coin being convertible at par would cause it to drive out the competing Chinese coin. On the other hand, it is held that the Chinese coins would still be in demand among the poorer section of the population, who would always prefer to receive in exchange for a dollar, say for the sake of argument, eleven Chinese ten-cent pieces instead of ten British pieces. It is this view of the probabilities which the first part of the resolution asserts. The point is debatable. I do not propose to discuss it. It is impossible to do so except at great length. And the hope of reaching finality is too slight to justify that. Currency questions are perhaps the most intricate of all the questions about which people freely, dogmatically and legislatively dealing with them is notoriously apt to lead to most unexpected results. Ours are peculiarly intricate owing to the complex relations created by contact between ancient and modern conditions of life, between two distinct and well-defined states of civilization with standards of wealth so far apart that the unit of currency of the one is regarded as subsidiary coin by the other. I need not remind the Council that the notes issued by the Provincial Government Treasury in Canton are payable in 20-cent pieces. I need not remind you that the shares of the Kwangtung section of the Canton-Hankow Railway are issued in exchange for 20-cent pieces; that, in fact, the capital of that great undertaking is in 20-cent pieces—fact so astonishing to the English mind that when the local Branch of the China Association advised the London Committee of it, the Chairman was afraid to mention it at the Foreign Office lest it should turn out to be a ridiculous mistake on our part. This only shows that the inhabitants of a

country in which wealth is fairly widespread have difficulty in appreciating the currency needs of a country rich naturally but so thickly populated that the vast majority are very poor. This is important to remember and it is sometimes forgotten in discussing the local currency problem. As I have said, I do not propose to discuss it now. Local currency problems have been to the fore ever since the birth of the Colony and they are not likely to be solved by exhaustive and exhausting speeches delivered in one afternoon. Moreover, it is not really necessary, to the practical purpose I have in view, that the Council should endorse an opinion which may be regarded as academic. I am only concerned to elicit an expression of opinion upon the merits of the proposed scheme as a whole. On the occasion of its promulgation Your Excellency said that the Government would consider it. Doubtless you have done so. If after consideration the Government does not intend to carry out the hon. member's recommendation it appears to me to be desirable, in the public interest, that a statement to that effect should be made. For this reason. Part of the scheme being to redeem the existing coin circulating or held in the Colony, obviously, if the belief were to gain ground that the scheme had any chance of being adopted, our coins would tend to flow back into the Colony in inconvenient quantities, with the result that, eventually, in the case of nothing being done, they would still further depreciate. To prevent this, the Government, if they have no intention of redeeming at par the coins held locally, should say so. The belief that it is important to dissipate a possibly misleading idea, calculated to encourage speculation, is in my main reason for bringing forward this resolution. I must confess that it is perhaps not particularly well designed for the purpose, and if the statement which I hope to elicit is made, I shall be willing to withdraw it. The latter part, suggesting that, if anything is done, our local currency ought to be dealt with as a whole by some comprehensive scheme of reform, at least indicates that I am not opposed to change, as such. So far I have been against most schemes of currency reform put forward; not because they involved change, but because I was not persuaded that the changes proposed were for the better. For instance, I did not agree with the proposal made seven years ago to adopt pounds, shillings and pence as the currency of the Colony. That proposal was not new, any more than subsequent proposals to "go gold" were new. Pounds, shillings and pence were proclaimed legal tender here in 1843. Our merchants ignored the Government's theoretical gold standard and wisely continued to conduct their operations in the currency most convenient to China's foreign trade, the fact being that they had no option in the matter if they wanted to see the trade prosper. Those who fondly imagine that currency problems would cease from troubling us if we had a gold standard should dip back fifty years into the history of the Colony. They might then realize what the Government eventually realized in the early sixties that the wise thing to do was to adopt a currency of equal value with the currency in which the trade of Canton was being conducted. The Government of that day realised the identity of this Colony's commercial interests with those of the great trade centre of South China more clearly than many among us would seem to at the present time. It is just as important to realise that commercially we are part of China as to remember that politically we are not, a fact the significance of which, we have just been sharply reminded, is insufficiently appreciated in high places. Realization of the former fact, that commercially we are part and parcel of China leads to a cautious reception of currency reform proposals based upon the idea that the time has come for this Colony to take independent action. That time will not have come, it seems to us, until the present renewed prospect of the establishment of a uniform currency throughout China shall have faded. The hope that in exchange for permission to raise the Customs duties the Central Government will discover a strong reason for strong action, may seem somewhat faint, but I submit that it is less faint than any hitherto held out. We shall doubtless be told that the Central Government is not strong enough to force a uniform currency upon the Provinces even if it so desires. Put it is not reasonable to be asked to believe one moment that the Central Government is powerless to do this and to be told at the same moment that it is powerful enough to eradicate the opium habit in a few years throughout the length and breadth of the land. If that is possible, and the accredited authorities on Chinese affairs proclaim the fact, it must surely also be possible to perform the far simpler task of controlling a few Provincial Mints. All that is required is an adequate motive and this may conceivably be supplied as suggested. Thus there seems more chance of reform than ever before and there is more than ever now should we exercise prudence and wait and see what is to come. In the meantime it is incumbent on this Government to continue to work towards rehabilitation of the subsidiary coins in use by exerting its influence to combat the evils of over-production by the Canton Mint. More than that I do not at the moment advocate because it appears to be still doubtful whether the anticipated uniform currency throughout China will be the tael or the dollar. Whichever it is we should, if possible, adapt our currency to it and, pending the Central Government's eventual choice, I do not think it would be wise of us to launch out independently. If, however, within a reasonable period, it should become apparent that, after all, the hope that I have dwelt on is not to be fulfilled, then we shall have to face the risk of independent action and then a comprehensive scheme of local currency reform—dealing with our copper as well as with our silver coins—will receive my active support. But while these things are on the knees of the gods, I have no particular desire that this Government should bind itself in any way other than by the declaration I have

said for and simply in order that there may be subject matter before the Council to speak to, I move pro forma the resolution as it stands.

Mr. Hewitt seconded, stating that he agreed with the terms of the resolution. He considered the attitude of the Government the correct one, believing that the coining of the Colony could not be dissociated from that of the Chinese Empire.

Hon. Mr. Osborne:—Sir, I thought that we were here to discuss questions concerning Hongkong, but we seem to be wandering away into Chinese currency affairs that have no bearing upon the point at issue; so I will endeavour to focus the debate back to the Colony's needs.

The honourable member who has moved this resolution declares that repudiation of British coins is indefensible and no doubt there are many who will be inclined to agree with him: indeed it was only in regard to this aspect of the question, as I stated a fortnight ago, that I anticipated any exception being taken to my proposals. I will not argue the point; to do so would be of little advantage because it is unlikely that unanimity would ever be reached. But I will meet his objection with development of the original scheme, by which repudiation can be avoided and by which redemption can be effected without additional loss to the Treasury. I would suggest that the old coins be demonetized only so far as the public are concerned; that is to say that they continue to be legal tender to Government and cease to be legal tender to others. The effect of this would be that a certain quantity would annually return to the Treasury and could be melted down and re-cast into new coins. Our local exchequer by slow degrees gorged itself in the past with unwholesome profits from subsidiary coinage and if redemption be the only acceptable avenue to reform, then let it, in similar manner, disgorge by slow degrees in the future. Meanwhile the new coin would circulate at par and be legal tender both to Government and the public.

The Honourable Member fears that the Chinese will continue to use Chinese coins—that they will prefer eleven Chinese ten-cent pieces to ten British. That may or may not be so. Again I will not argue the point except to say that if the Chinese prefer their own coins, it will be their own affair and does not in the least affect the main principle of my scheme, which is that a coin at all times worth its face value would be available to those who wish to use it; and in further answer to this argument I can only repeat what I said before that those who continue to accept depreciated coins will have no one but themselves to blame for any loss they may suffer.

His Excellency the Governor observed that he had given much thought to this matter, and he remarked that he did not believe any British Government would accept any proposal which involved the repudiation of British coins. With regard to the question of redemption the liability would be exceedingly great and it would be unknown. It would also strike an extremely dangerous blow at Hongkong as far as its integrity and financial stability in China was concerned.

Discussing the motion, His Excellency became very sarcastic about gorging itself with profits derived from the subsidiary coinage and laid it down that the Government was here for the benefit of the Colony and for the mercantile interests of the Colony.

Mr. Murray Stewart said that after the remarks made by His Excellency he wished to withdraw his resolution.

The resolution was withdrawn.

**LIQUOR LICENCES.**

The Resolution under Section 6 of the Liquor Licences Extension Ordinance, 1908, was not proceeded with.

**KING'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS.**

Hon. Mr. M. Stewart asked the following questions:—

(1) Is it a fact that, in the original instance, the postponement of the King's Birthday

Celebrations was ordered by the Secretary of State without any previous reference of the matter to, or consultation with, the Government of this Colony?

(2) If so, will the Government convey to the Secretary of State a respectful intimation that such treatment is resented in the Colony?

(3) In view of the fact that the well known date of the birthday of His Britannic Majesty was chosen for the obsequies of the late Dowager Empress of China some weeks ago, and that up to last Friday the Secretary of State gave no sign that he considered that the claims of the latter over-trode those of the former in this British Colony, has the Government any information as to the sudden change of attitude?

The Colonial Secretary replied as follows:—

1. The reply to the first question is in the affirmative.

2. The questions put forward by the hon. member and the replies given will be referred to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

3. No.

**GOVERNMENT RECLAMATION SITES.**

In accordance with notice given, Hon. Mr. Stewart asked:—

Is it necessary to work on the Post Office that the plot of Government land between the Law Courts and the Praya should be largely occupied as workmen's dwellings?

How many people are housed nightly in the quarters which the contractor is allowed to maintain there, and what rent, if any, does he draw from their occupation? Are all the people housed there in work on the Post Office?

And are we to understand that the public may be asked to put up with the nuisance created by the condition of the plot in question for the year or more during which the Post Office will be in course of construction?

The Director of Public Works replied:—

1. No.

2. There are at present over 30 men housed nightly in the workshop quarters. These are masons brought over after the last typhoon which destroyed their masonry from the Ma Tau Kok quarry from which stones for the Post Office are prepared. They will in a few days return to the Ma Tau Kok sheds which are being rebuilt. The contractor draws no rent

for housing these people who are all engaged in Post Office work.

3. This answer disposes of the third question.

**COLONIAL CEMETERY.**

The Bill entitled "An Ordinance to set apart certain Crown land to be used as a burial ground for persons professing the Christian Religion," was read a third time and passed on the motion of the Attorney General seconded by the Colonial Secretary.

**TRADE MARKS.**

Council again went into Committee on the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Law relating to Trade Marks.

When Council resumed the Bill was reported with amendments.

**TYPHOON REFUGE.**

Council considered the Committee's Report on the Bill entitled An Ordinance to authorize the Construction and Maintenance of a Harbour of refuge upon certain portions of the Sea Bed and Foreshore situated upon the Harbour frontage at Tai Kok Tsui, Mong Kok, and Yau Ma Tei, Kowloon, in this Colony.

Council resumed and the Bill was reported without amendments.

**POSTPONEMENT.**

The following Bills were not proceeded with:—

**SECOND READING.**

Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Tramway Ordinance, 1902.

Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Licences Ordinance, 1898, and the Liquor Licences Extension Ordinance, 1908, and to repeal the Liquor Licences Amendment Ordinance, 1902.

**ADJOURNMENT.**

## ANOTHER FASHIONABLE WEDDING.

HONGKONG LADY MARRIED TO AN ARMY OFFICER.

PAXTON-DENNOYS.

Another of those delightfully happy weddings, in which even the sour bachelor and the timid maid may participate, was celebrated at St. John's Cathedral this afternoon when Lieutenant Alexander Norman Paxton, of the Royal Engineers, was united in marriage to Miss Florence Gertrude Dennoys, daughter of Mr. H. L. Dennoys, formerly Crown Solicitor for the Colony, and now President of the Incorporated Law Society of Hongkong. Mr. Paxton, the bridegroom, is a son of Mr. R. C. Paxton of Walton, Kent.

As might have been expected the wedding partook of the military character, and nearly everybody who is anybody in Hongkong was there. Had it not been for the fact that the Legislative Council was sitting, the Governor and all the unofficials, as well as the heads of departments would have attended. As it was, the Cathedral was crowded and many admired the beautiful floral decorations carried out by Miss Bryer aided by many willing assistants.

The bride looked lovely in a soft French satin, made Princess fashion, and trimmed with beautiful hand embroidery in shades of ivory silk. The very graceful Walrus train was caught to the waist with large embroidered buttons and the long tight fitting sleeves of open tuck sable and the pretty turned down collar were both the latest Paris ideas. The dress was beautifully made and carried out by Madame Flint. The loosely old malines lace veil which the bride wore was lent by Mrs. Edwards. The bride carried a beautiful white shower bouquet and for her only ornament wore the pendant of pearl given her by the bridegroom. It is interesting to note that the wedding ring was made by one of the bridegroom's brother-officers. The bride's bouquet, which resembled a beautiful shower, was made of choice white flowers and tied with broad satin ribbons. The bridesmaids carried dainty posy bouquets of pink roses. Mrs. Dennoys' bouquet was made of red roses tied with green ribbons to match her gown. We are told that all the bouquets were supplied by Miss Fairall.

The bridesmaids' pretty frocks were made of Japanese silk gauze with blue satin stripe over white satin and on their heads they wore guipure lace caps with wide wings of lace and carried posy bouquets of pink roses. There were two small train-bearers—a girl and boy—the wee girl in white silk gauze with hand embroidered blue flowers on it and a lace cap with bunches of blue ribbons; the little boy in a white man-of-war sailor's suit with pale blue collar and white cap. The bridegroom presented the bridesmaids with gold shamrock brooches with jade centres and the small boy with a pin to correspond.

The bridesmaids were Misses Pocob, Iris and Diane May, (daughters of Sir Francis May), and the names of the train-bearers were Miss Vivienne Dennoys and Master William Potts.

Mr. John Crookenden, of The Buffs, was best man and performed his duties like a duke who had forgotten the Budget.

At the marriage ceremony there were the Bishop of Victoria, Rev. F. J. Johnson and the Chaplain to the Forces in South China, Rev. D. Easie.

The bride's gift to the bridegroom consisted of gold and jade studs and links, with a fine miniature. The bridegroom returned with pearl pendant, jade and gold bracelet, with gold chain. To the bridesmaids the bridegroom gave shamrock brooches.

A canopy of steel war raised by the officers of The Buffs when the happy couple had signed the register, and the organ pealed out the well-known: "The voice that breathed o'er Eden."

Afterwards a reception was held at Craig Ryrie, the Peak, when the usual felicitations were offered the newly-married pair.

Later on Mr. and Mrs. Paxton left for Macao to enjoy their honeymoon. The bride went away in a dress of pale pink cloth with touches of brown and a hat to match.

## THE PRESENTS.

Among the many and valuable presents sent to the lucky couple were—

Mr. H. L. Dennoys—Silver tea set and kettle and cheque.

Mrs. H. L. Dennoys—Jade pendant.

Mr. A. J. Dennoys, Tientsin—Cheque.

Mr. H. L. Dennoys, Junior—Silver bowl.

Miss Vivienne Dennoys—Silver brushes.

Miss Major—Drawn thread tea cloth.

Colonel Dumbleton and the officers, Royal Engineers—Silver tea tray.

The officers, Royal Artillery—Silver bowl.

The subalterns and attached officers, 105th Mahratta L.I.—Silver cigarette box.

Some officers the 2nd Buffs—Travelling clock.

Hon. Mr. F. A. Hazlewood—Silver frame.

Hon. Sir Francis and Lady May—Silver tea spoons and sugar-tongs.

Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Brewin—Blackwood opium stool.

Miss Langton—Cloisonné umbrella handle.

Mrs. Lingate—Japanese lacquer tray.

Mr. and Mrs. Thompson—Silver teapot.

Lieut. C. W. Beckwith, R.A., Mr. J. H. King and Mr. W. L. Sheaton—Silver vases.

Capts. and Mrs. Craig—Silver napkin rings.

Mr. Greig—Blackwood frame.

Capts. and Mrs. Worthington—Mother-of-pearl fruit dishes.

Capts. and Mrs. Collingwood—Silver vases.

Dr. and Mrs. Forsyth—Silver sweet dishes.

Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Giesson—Silver salt-cellars.

Mr. Brownrigg—Silver vases.

Col. and Mrs. Bedford—Silver pepper pots.

Mr. A. Chapman, R.A.—Ivory fan.

Mr. J. Crookenden, The Buffs—Silver-mounted claret jug.

Major J. McCarthy, R.A.M.C.—Silver vase.

Dr. Mrs. and Miss Clarke—Foochow liqueur tables.

Mr. D. Wolfe, Mr. C. Carr and Mr. G. Worcester—Blackwood table.

Mr. and Mrs. Eves—Silver vases.

Mr. Dowbiggin—Silver sweet dish.

Miss Barker—Chinese embroidered blotting pad.

Major and Mrs. Eaton—Cloisonné vases.

Mr. Bevington—Chinese work bag.

Hon. Mr. Rees Davies—Silver sauce boat.

Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Messer—Set of drawn thread tea cloth, table centre, &c.

Mr. and Mrs. Mackie—Silver sweet dishes.

Lieut. G. Benyon, R.N.—Silver toast racks.

Mr. W. Daniel—Chinese silver model.

Mr. and Miss Newall—Blackwood and silver inkstand.

Mr. and Mrs. Looker—Blackwood stool.

Mr. C. Bulmer Johnson—Cloisonné vase.

Mr. and Mrs. Collison Morley—Chinese tea set.

Mr. Reader Harris—Silver vase.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Hastings—Blackwood cabinet.

Mrs. Edwards—Cheque.

Captain Marceaux R.N.—Silver cigar lighter.

Sir Henry Berkeley—Silver glove box.

The Bishop and Mrs. Lauder—Blue China vases.

Miss Arrathorn Seth—Enamelled necklace.

Mr. Sydenham Dixon—Brass incense burner.

Major and Mrs. Wait R.N.—Travelling clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Wright—Saltcellars.

Mr. and Mrs. Miss Tennent—Silver frame.

Miss Hazelton—Ivory frame.

Dr. and Mrs. Siedman—Mother-of-pearl fruit dishes.

Mr. and Mrs. Lafrentz—Blackwood opium stool.

Mr. and Miss Bryer—Blackwood and silver tray.

Mr. J. Barton—Silver butter dishes.

Mr. and Mrs. Evan Ormiston—Silver trinket box.

Mr. and Mrs. Paget Hett—Silver fruit dish.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey—Lace doilies.

Miss Ella Rowe—Embroidered table centres.

Mr. and Mrs. Wakeman—Silver mustard pots.

Hon. Mr. H. H. J. Compton—Silver pin box.

Mr. D. Donee—Silver vases.

Mr. Ho Kom Tong—Silver bowl.

Mr. and Mrs. Stabb—Travelling clock.

Mr. G. W. Orme—Silver mounted bamboo powder box.

Mr. Hartnell Peavis—Roll of silk.

Colonel and Mrs. Daan—Silver vases.

Mr. and Mrs. Tooker—Saltcellars.

Mr. P. Jacks—Silver sweet dish.

Col. and Mrs. Lambert and Miss Lord—Silver rose bowl.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. M. Smith—Cloisonné bowl.

Mr. and Mrs. Shelton Hooper—Drawn thread tea table cloth.

Colonel and Mrs. Chamier, R.A.—Chinese porcelain bowl.

Mr. Wang Hing—Silver tea caddy.

Mr. and the Misses Wilkinson—Cheque.

Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Jones—Silver inkstand.

Mrs. Lyon—Silver enamelled combs.

Hon. Mr. F. J. and Mrs. Badsey—Silver hair pin box.

Colonel W. B. Lauder, A. P. D.—Silver photograph frame.

Mr. F. B. L. Bowley—Silver dessert knives and forks.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Gibbs—Ivory shoe horn and paper knife.

Mrs. Prior—Sandalwood fan.

Mr. H. L. O. Garrett and Mr. F. V. B. Kirwan—Silver vases.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Turner—Cruet stand.

Mrs. Basil Taylor—Almond dishes.

Mr. J. Wood—Silver powder box.

Mr. C. D. Melbourne—Silver frame.

Mr. Walter Dowley—Drawn thread table cloth &c.

Mr. H. Murray Bain—Silver vase.

Mrs. Black—Chinese vase.

Mrs. Beck—Lace parasol cover.

General Broadbent and Captain Heathcock—Silver tea pot, milk jug and sugar basin.

Mr. and Mrs. Adamson—Pearl and Gold.

Mr. and Mrs. Hutton Potts—One set silver liqueur cups.

The Misses Potts—Silver hat pin stand.

Mr. Grant Smith—Silver button hook.

Mr. and Mrs. Edkins—Silver vase.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Dennoys (Penang)—Gold and rattan bangal.

Dr. Fitzwilliams—One set silver menu holders.

**SIKH POLICEMEN IN SHANGHAI.**

## DEPORTED INDIAN CONSTABLES IN HONGKONG.

In connection with the recent trouble in Shanghai among discontented Indian policemen, who have been deliberately committing offences with a view to dismissal from the Municipal Police, six Indian policemen arrived by the *s.s. Choyang* this morning from the Nanking Settlement under the charge of a European detective and were detained at the Central Police Station pending their deportation to Calcutta on board the *s.s. Kusung*. These men have been dismissed from Municipal Police for insubordinate conduct but in view of the very prospects held out to them by interested parties, who have promised the ignorant ones an El Dorado on the Pacific coast and elsewhere, the men appeared to be perfectly content and were doubtless full of hopes of amassing a fortune in God's country after they have been freed from their official fetters.

Colonel Dumbleton and the officers, Royal Engineers—Silver tea tray.

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Dr. Mrs. and Miss Clarke—Foochow liqueur tables.

## INTERPORT CRICKET.

## HONGKONG'S TEAM.

The Selection Committee now appear to be only awaiting the results of next Saturday's match before making their final selection.

The following men can be practically considered as certainties. Capt. Baird (Capt.), T. E. Pearce, W. O. D. Turner, Capt. Garnett, A. C. Elbrough, R. E. O. Bird, R. E



## COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.  
Belling.

|                                  |          |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| London—Bank T.T.                 | 18 11/16 |
| Do. demand                       | 18 1/2   |
| Do. 4 months' sight              | 18 15/16 |
| France—Bank T.T.                 | 2 17/2   |
| America—Bank T.T.                | 4 43/4   |
| Germany—Bank T.T.                | 1 7/6    |
| India T.T.                       | 1 9      |
| Do. demand                       | 129      |
| Shanghai—Bank T.T.               | 74       |
| Singapore—Bank T.T. per H.K. Sto | 84       |
| Japan—Bank T.T.                  | 84       |
| Java—Bank T.T.                   | 104      |

## Buying.

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| 4 months' sight L/C.                    | 1/6     |
| 6 months' sight L/C.                    | 1/6     |
| 30 days' sight San Francisco & New York | 42      |
| 4 months' sight do.                     | 44      |
| 30 days' sight Sydney & Melbourne       | 1/6     |
| 4 months' sight France                  | 2 22    |
| 6 months' sight                         | 2 24    |
| 4 months' sight Germany                 | 18 1/2  |
| Bar Silver                              | 23 5/16 |
| Bank of England rate                    | 5 1/2   |
| Sovereign                               | 11 5/8  |

## SHIPPING AND MAIIS

## MAILS DUE

German (*Prinz Ludwijk*) 18th inst.  
Canadian (*Empress of India*) 18th inst.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. *China* arrived at San Francisco on 6th inst.

The C. N. Co.'s s.s. *Tawng* left Manila on 9th inst., and is due here on 12th inst.

The C. N. Co.'s s.s. *Amul* left Shanghai on 11th inst., and is due here on 14th inst.

The Imperial German Mail s.s. *Prinz Walde* left Manila yesterday, at midnight, and may be expected here on 13th inst.

## THE WEATHER

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, Director of the Hongkong Observatory.—

On the 11th at 11.50 a.m.—The barometer has risen quickly over Japan, the depression having moved away over the Pacific.

Pressure has increased moderately over China except on the N.E. coast, where it has given way slightly.

The anticyclone is still central over the continent to the North of the Yangtze, and pressure is relatively low to the South of Formosa.

N. and N.E. gales may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.05 inches.

## FORECAST.

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood, N. to N.E. winds, strong; cl. uv. & qual.

2.—Foyma Channel, strong N.E. gale.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamock, same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of Chion between Hongkong and Hainan, same as No. 2.

## Shipping

ARRIVAL.

Kueichow, Br. s.s., 1,215, W. B. Brown, 10th Nov.—Canton 9th Nov., Gen.—B. & S.  
Choyang, Br. s.s., 1,424, M. Courtney 11th Nov.—Hongkong via Swatow 7th Nov., Gen.—J. M. & Co.  
Daijin Maru, Jap. s.s., 900, V. Kaburaki, 11th Nov.—Tamsui via Amoy and Swatow 10th Nov., Gen.—O. S. K.  
Assaye, Br. s.s., 7,376, O. Jones, R.M.R., 11th Nov.—Bombay and Singapore 6th Nov., Mail and Gen.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

Clearances at the Harbour Office.

*Victoria*, for Haiphong.

*Singa*, for Hoibow.

*Cheyang*, for Canton.

*Tongkong*, for Amoy.

*Kueichow*, for Tientsin.

Departures

Nov. 11.

*Yeooh Maru*, for Shanghai.

*Chotun Maru*, for Swatow.

*Proteus*, for Swatow.

*Chenan*, for Canton.

*Chiyan*, for Canton.

*Carlsdorff*, for Canton.

*Chinkua*, for Shanghai.

*Singan*, for Haiphong.

*Tonkong*, for Rangoon.

*Ku-ichow*, for Tientsin.

Passenger ship arrivals.

Per *Choyang*, from Shanghai, &c.—Mrs. Nolley, Mrs. Lowe and 2 children, Mr. J. McDonald, and 56 Chinese.

Passengers exported.

Per *Gosha*, due 1st December.—Misses Bergine, G. Pfleider, E. Flüger, C. Bernhard, Messrs. B. Hempel, W. Dubgen, H. Jessen, H. J. Kihl, W. Keller, A. Young, Prof. Dr. and Mrs. H. H. Pfleider, Mr. and Mrs. F. Bernhard, Messrs. F. Schreiber, R. Schreiber, R. Arndt, E. Rümmer, Miss E. von Landeghem, Mrs. Alward, Miss H. Menslog, Rev. and Mrs. Robert Jaffey and child.

Per *Burrow*, due 15th December.—Messrs. W. Gempert, J. Stroff, Kuehne, H. Eggers, F. Fritz, E. Wunderle, G. Kaufmann, Mrs. W. Morgan, Misses V. Ziegler, E. Friedel, Mr. G. Woessner, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Henderson, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Henderson.

Per *Derflinger*, due 1st December.—Capt. Francis Le Jan Parker, Dr. and Mrs. A. H. Strobel, Capt. and Mrs. G. Schulz, Misses G. Krabs, Wimn, Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Warnings, and Rev. and Mrs. H. E. Anderson.

Per *Prinz Eitel Friedrich*, due 1st January, 1910.—Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Stewart, Mr. H. Kyrie, and Rev. and Mrs. Dubl.

Shipping Report.

Str. *Choyang*, from Shanghai via Swatow.—Moderate to Strong N.E./ly winds experienced.

## VESSELS IN PORT.

STAMMERS.

Brand, Nov. s.s., 5,119, H. Evesen, 8th Nov.—Castos 7th Nov., Gen.—Wallem & Co.

Capri, Ital. s.s., 2,705, Dini, 9th Nov.—Bombay 17th Oct., and Singapore 1st Nov., Gen.—O. & Co.

Choeng Sing, Br. s.s., 1,205, O. McClymont Liddell, 10th Nov.—Canton 9th Nov., Gen.—O. & Co.

## HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From November 11th to 17th 1900.

## HIGH WATER.

## LOW WATER.

Tide Mean Time Height

Mean Time Height

Tide Mean Time Height

## SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Supplied by Messrs. E. S. KADOURIE &amp; Co. Corrected to noon : later alterations given under "Commercial Intelligence," page 5.

| ST. LKA.  | NO. OF SHARES | VALVE.   | PAID UP. | POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT<br>RESERVE.        | AT WORKING ACCOUNT | LAST DIVIDEND.  | APPROXIMATE RETURN AT PRESENT MARKET VALUE BASED ON LAST YEAR'S DIV. | CLOSING QUANTITY            |
|---|---------------|----------|----------|--|--------------------|---|--|-----------------------------|
| <b>BANKS:</b>   |               |          |          |  |                    |   |  |                             |
| Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation                       | 120,000       | \$100    | \$100    | { \$1,500,000<br>\$1,100,000<br>\$150,000}     | \$2,001,819        | { Interim of 5/- for account 1909 @ 6x 1/9<br>= \$22.72                                 | 4%   | Sold sellers London 100,151 |
| National Bank of China, Limited                               | 10,000        | £7       | £6       | { £1,500,000<br>£1,000,000}                    | \$30,552           | £2 (London 3/6) for 1909  | ...  | Sold buyers                 |
| Marine Insurance.   |               |          |          |  |                    |   |  |                             |
| China Insurance Co., Limited                                  | 10,000        | \$50     | \$50     | { \$1,500,000<br>\$150,000<br>\$150,000}       | none               | \$10 for 1908   | 7%   | \$1621 sellers              |
| North China Insurance Company, Limited                        | 10,000        | £15      | £5       | { £1,500,000<br>£100,000<br>£150,000}          | Tls. 160,518       | Interim of 7/6 for 1908   | 5%   | Tls. 105                    |
| Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited                    | 12,400        | \$50     | \$100    | { \$1,000,000<br>\$100,000<br>\$100,000}       | \$2,404,902        | { Final of 5/- making 5/- for 1907 and<br>Interim of \$10 for 1908                      | 5%   | \$8471 sellers              |
| Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited                        | 12,000        | \$100    | \$60     | { \$1,000,000<br>\$100,000<br>\$100,000}       | \$7 7,637          | \$12 and bonus 5/- for 1907   | 7%   | \$2321 sellers              |
| <b>FIRE INSURANCES:</b>                                       |               |          |          |  |                    |   |  |                             |
| China Fire Insurance Company, Limited                         | 10,000        | \$100    | \$20     | { \$1,000,000<br>\$100,000<br>\$100,000}       | \$375,341          | \$6 and bonus 5/- for 1907  | 7%   | \$615 sellers               |
| Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited                      | 8,000         | \$50     | \$50     | { \$1,000,000<br>\$100,000<br>\$100,000}       | \$208,711          | \$27 for 1907   | 7%   | \$375                       |
| <b>SHIPPING:</b>  |               |          |          |  |                    |   |  |                             |
| China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited                   | 30,000        | £5       | £5       | { £1,500,000<br>£100,000<br>£100,000}          | \$1,025            | £1 for 1906   | ...  | \$81 sellers                |
| Douglas Steamship Company, Limited                            | 20,000        | £50      | £50      | { £1,500,000<br>£100,000<br>£100,000}          | Nil.               | £1 for year ending 30.6.1908  | 7%   | \$53                        |
| Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.                  | 80,000        | £15      | £15      | { £1,500,000<br>£100,000<br>£100,000}          | \$21,170           | Interim of \$1/- for account 1909   | 7%   | \$31 sellers                |
| Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. (Preferred)             | 60,000        | £5       | £5       | { £1,500,000<br>£100,000<br>£100,000}          | £1,755             | 6/- for 1907 on Preference shares only @<br>ex 1/9 11/6 = \$3. 154.                     | ...  | \$60 buyers                 |
| do. (Deferred)  | 60,000        | £5       | £5       | { £1,500,000<br>£100,000<br>£100,000}          | £6,817             | Final of 5/- for 1908 and interim of 1/- for<br>ex 1/9 1909                             | 7%   | \$26 sales                  |
| "Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited                | 2,000,000     | £2       | £1       | { £1,000,000<br>£100,000<br>£100,000}          | \$1,121            | \$1/- for year ending 10.4. 1909  | 4%   | \$141                       |
| "Star" Ferry Company, Limited                                 | 10,000        | \$10     | \$10     | { \$1,000,000<br>\$100,000<br>\$100,000}       | ...                | 5/- for year ending 10.4. 1909  | 5%   |                             |
| <b>REFINERIES:</b>  |               |          |          |  |                    |   |  |                             |
| China Sugar Refining Company, Limited                         | 20,000        | \$100    | \$100    | { \$100,000<br>\$100,000}                      | Dr. 55,858         | \$5 for year ending 31.12.08  | 3%   | \$151 buyers                |
| Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited                         | 7,000         | \$100    | \$100    | { \$100,000<br>\$100,000}                      | Dr. 515,802        | \$3 for 1907  | ...  | Stop buyers                 |
| Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited                      | 7,000         | Tls. 50  | Tls. 50  | { Tls. 100,000<br>Tls. 9,773}                  | ...                | Tls. 3/- for year ending 31.3.08  | ...  | Tls. 335                    |
| <b>MINING:</b>  |               |          |          |  |                    |   |  |                             |
| China Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.                    | 1,000,000     | £1       | £1       | { £175,000<br>£125,850}                        | £11,556            | Interim of 1/6 (coupon No. 12) for year<br>ending 29.3.09                               | 7%   | Tls. 19 buyers              |
| Raub Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited                  | 150,000       | £1       | £1       | { £125,850<br>£125,850}                        | Dr. 53,191         | No. 12 of 1/- = 48 cents  | ...  | \$71 sellers                |
| <b>DOCKS, WHARVES &amp; GODOWNS:</b>                          |               |          |          |  |                    |   |  |                             |
| Fenwick (Geo.) & Co., Limited                                 | 18,000        | £15      | £15      | { £48,976<br>\$100,000}                        | Dr. 57,432         | \$1.75 for year ending 31.12.08   | ...  | \$12                        |
| Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.                 | 60,000        | £50      | £50      | { £150,000<br>£120,000<br>£100,000}            | \$10,102           | None  | ...  | \$621 sellers               |
| Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.                       | 50,000        | £50      | £50      | { £88,442<br>£88,442<br>£100,000}              | \$345,162          | Interim of \$1/- for account 1909   | 5%   | \$55 sellers                |
| Ghongkong Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.                      | 55,700        | Tls. 100 | Tls. 100 | { Tls. 1,000,000<br>Tls. 6,161                 | Tls. 6,161         | Final of Tls. 2/- for year ending 30.4.09   | 6%   | Tls. 26 buyers              |
| Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Company, Limited                  | 36,000        | Tls. 100 | Tls. 100 | { Tls. 697,457<br>Tls. 50,000<br>Tls. 125,000} | Tls. 22,818        | Final of Tls. 6 making Tls. 10 for 1908   | 7%   | Tls. 137 sellers            |
| <b>LANDS, HOTELS &amp; BUILDINGS:</b>                         |               |          |          |  |                    |   |  |                             |
| Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ltd.                        | 25,000        | Tls. 100 | Tls. 100 | { Tls. 35,000<br>\$100,000<br>\$100,000}       | Tls. 4,134         | Tls. 6 for year ending 29.2.09  | 5%   | Tls. 105 buyers             |
| General Stores, Limited                                       | 50,000        | £100     | £100     | { £100,000<br>£100,000<br>£100,000}            | \$24,641           | \$1.20 on old and 60 cents on first new issue   | ...  | \$71 buyers                 |
| Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited                               | 12,000        | £50      | £50      | { £64,077<br>£74,118<br>\$100,000}             | \$19,272           | Interim of \$2.40 on old and 40 cents on<br>new shares for account 1909                 | ...  | \$75 buyers                 |
| Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.                 | 50,000        | £100     | £100     | { £64,077<br>£64,077<br>\$100,000}             | \$26,475           | Interim of 3/- for account 1909   | 6%   | \$1044 sales                |
| Humphreys Estate & Finance Company, Limited                   | 150,000       | £100     | £100     | { £51,486<br>\$100,000<br>\$100,000}           | \$51,486           | 60 cents for 1908   | 6%   | \$6 sellers                 |
| Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited                    | 6,000         | £50      | £50      | { £278<br>\$100,000}                           | \$278              | \$1/- for 1908  | 5%   | \$30 sellers                |
| Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited                     | 75,000        | £5       | £5       | { £1,525,045<br>Tls. 300,000<br>none}          | Tls. 142,404       | Interim of Tls. 3 for account 1909  | 6%   | Tls. 120 sellers            |
| West Point Building Company, Limited                          | 12,500        | £50      | £50      | { £1,525,045<br>Tls. 300,000<br>none}          | 5/-                | Interim of \$2 for account 1909   | 8%   | \$44 buyers                 |
| <b>COTTON MILLS:</b>  |               |          |          |  |                    |   |  |                             |
| Two Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd.                 | 15,000        | £1.50    | £1.50    | { Tls. 150,000<br>Tls. 45,919<br>\$100,000}    | 18,830             | Tls. 5 for year ended 31.12. 1908   | 3%   | Tls. 146 sellers            |
| Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited | 125,000       | £10      | £10      | { £100,000<br>\$100,000<br>\$100,000}          | 59,553             | 50 cents for year ended 31.7.08   | 6%   | \$6 sales                   |
| International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd.              | 10,000        | £1.75    | £1.75    | { Tls. 175,000<br>Tls. 100,000<br>none}        | 18,372             | Tls. 6 for year ending 30.9.06 (8%)   | ...  | Tls. 92                     |
| Lao-kung-naw Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.              | 8,000         | £1.200   | £1.200   | { none<br>Tls. 100,000}                        | 18,429             | Tls. 4 for 1908   | ...  | Tls. 112                    |
| Si-yu-Chau Cotton Spinning Company, Limited                   | 4,000         | £1.500   | £1.500   | { none<br>Tls. 100,000}                        | 18,511             | Tls. 50 for 1908  | ...  | Tls. 460                    |
| <b>MISCELLANEOUS:</b>   |               |          |          |  |                    |   |  |                             |
| Ball's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited                       | 8,604         | £1/8     | £1/8     | { £1,500<br>\$100,000}                         | £648               | 15% per share for 1908  | 9%   | \$10 sales                  |
| China-Borneo Company, Limited                                 | 50,000        | £10      | £10      | { £100,000<br>\$100,000}                       | Nil.               | £1.10 or 1908   | ...  | \$12 buyers                 |
| China Light and Power Company, Limited                        | 50,000        | £10      | £10      | { £100,000<br>\$100,000}                       | £61,138            | 50 cents for year ended 25.4.08   | 8%   | \$6 sales                   |
| do. do. special shares  | 50,000        | £10      | £10      | { none<br>\$100,000}                           | 33,407             | 80 cents for 1908   | 8%   | \$4 sales                   |
| China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd.                 | 185,000       | £10      | £10      | { \$100,000<br>\$100,000}                      | ...                | ...   |  |                             |
| Dairy Farm Company, Limited                                   | 40,000        | £7       | £7       | { £100,000<br>\$100,000}                       | £1,810             | £1.20 for year ending 31.7.09   | 8%   | \$162 buyers                |
| Green Island Cement Company, Limited                          | 100,000       | £10      | £10      | { £100,000<br>\$100,000}                       | £1,815             | Interim of 3/- cents for account 1909   | 10%  | \$74 buyers                 |
| H. Price & Company, Limited                                   | 15,000        | £10      | £10      | { £100,000<br>\$100,000}                       | £1,770             | 80 cents for year ending 31.12.09   | 8%   | \$13 sellers                |
| Hongkong Electric Company, Limited                            | 60,000        | £10      | £10      | { none<br>\$100,000}                           | 5,195              | £1 and bonus 20 cts for year ending 29.2.09   | 6%   | \$101 sellers               |
| Hongkong Ice Company, Limited                                 | 5,000         | £25      | £25      | { £150,000<br>\$120,000<br>\$120,000}          | 57,016             | Interim of \$2 for account 1909   | 10%  | \$180 sellers               |
| Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.                     | 60,000        | £10      | £10      | { £150,000<br>\$120,000<br>\$120,000}          | 18,790             | Interim of £1 for account 1909  | 8%   | \$133 sales                 |
| Maaitschappij tot Mijn, Bosch-en Landbouw                     | 35,000        | £1.10    | £1.10    | { £15,471<br>£15,471<br>\$100,000}             | 18,678             | Third quarterly of £1.10 for account<br>1909  | ...  | Tls. 750 buyers             |
| Peak Tramways Company, Limited                                | 85,000        | £10      | £10      | { £15,471<br>\$100,000<br>\$100,000}           | 18,678             | 80 cents on fully paid shares and 80 cents on<br>£1 paid shares for year ending 30.4.09 | 6%   | \$140 buyers                |
| Peak Tramways Company (new)                                   | 50,000        | £10      | £10      | { £15,471<br>\$100,000<br>\$100,000}           | 18,678             | None  | ...  | \$131 buyers                |
| Philippine Company, Limited                                   | 75,000        | £10      | £10      | { £15,471<br>\$100,000<br>\$100,000}           | 18,640             |   |  |                             |